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POLYMERIZABLE MOLTEN SALT MONOMER, ELECTROLYTE COMPOSITION

AND ELECTROCHEMICAL CELL

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

PECEIVED TO 12002 POQeby In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) (substitute for PTO Form 1449) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (1) No later than three months from the application's filing date for an application other than a continued prosecution application (CPA) under §1.53(d); (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after filing a

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request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

JP 10-83821 A:

This document is directed to a polymerized product of a vinylimidazolium salt, having a structure different from that in the present invention.

WO 95/18456:

The above document is discussed on page 5 of the present specification.

Further, although Yoshizawa, Masahiro et al., Chem. Lett. (1999), (9), 889-890 is in English, Applicants have provided the following remarks for the Examiner's convenience:

This document is directed to the following.

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In the Examples of the application, comparison is made with a similar compound, RE-3.

RE-3

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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